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FM AMEMBASSY DAR ES SALAAM

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INFO AMEMBASSY KINSHASA

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AMEMBASSY BUJUMBURA

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AMEMBASSY THE HAGUE

C O N F I D E N T I A L DAR ES SALAAM 1861

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: CASC (SMITH, HUNTER)

SUBJECT: KIDNAPPED AMERICANS: GABRIEL YUMBU

1. LOCAL SOURCE TOLD US JUNE 3 THAT HE HAS LEARNED
THAT GABRIEL YUMBU IS PROBABLY DEAD. STORY IS AS FOLLOWS:

2. IN APRIL 1973 TANGOV ARRESTED NUMBER OF MEMBERS OF PRP
IN KIGOMA AREA. GABRIEL YUMBU WAS NOT REPEAT NOT AMONG
THIS GROUP ARRESTED. YUMBU WAS IN TANZANIA, HOWEVER, AND
A FEW WEEKS LATER WHILE TRAVELING ON THE TRAIN FROM KIGOMA
TO DAR ES SALAAM HE WAS APPREHENDED BY TANZANIAN POLICE
OFFICERS AT THE RUVU RAILWAY STOP NEAR THE TOWN OF MOROGORO.
HE WAS TAKEN OFF THE TRAIN AND QUESTIONED INITIALLY AT THE
LOCAL POLICE STATION. HE WAS THEN TAKEN BY TANZANIAN
SECURITY OFFICIALS FOR FURTHER QUESTIONING AT THE CENTRAL
POLICE STATION IN DAR ES SALAAM. YUMBU WAS THEN RELEASED
TO THE CUSTODY OF ZAIRIAN OFFICIALS. (SOURCE SAID HE IS
LESS SURE OF NEXT PORTION OF STORY.) ZAIRE OFFICIALS HIRED
CHARTER PLANE TO FLY YUMBU BACK TO ZAIRE. OVER LAKE
TANGANYIKA YUMBU WAS PUSHED OUT OF PLANE AND FELL TO HIS
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DEATH.

3. SOURCE SAID TANGOV COULD NOT ADMIT DETENTION AND SUB-
SEQUENT DEATH OF YUMBU BECAUSE IN SO DOING TANGOV WOULD
HAVE TO ACKNOWLEDGE THAT IT HAD CONTRADICTED ITS OWN POLICY BY
TURNING YUMBU OVER TO ZAIRE OFFICIALS.
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